



Commercial Music, Songwriting/Arranging Emphasis A.A. Degree

This program map represents one possible path for completing this program. **Please see a counselor** to create an educational plan that is customized to meet your needs. This path is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2025-26

Total Units: 60-62

First Year

Semester 1

14-16 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	MUSM 342	Recording Studio Techniques I	3	
Maj	MUFHL 309	Introduction to American Popular Music	3	SCC Local Area L3
Maj	MUIVI 345	Beginning Piano I	1-2	
GE	INDIS 313*	Freshman Seminar	3	SCC Local Area L7B
GE	ENGL C1000** / ENGWR 488 ^H / ESLW 340	Academic Reading and Writing	3-4	SCC Local Area L1A
Elec		***Elective	1	

***INDIS 313 - Freshman Seminar is specifically designed for First Time in College students. If you're not a First Time in College student, please select a GE course from SCC General Education Area L7B, such as HCD 310-College Success.**

****If you don't place directly in ENGL C1000 (check your eServices account), you will need to take ENGWR 80/ENGL C1000 combo course.**

****Electives may include any courses numbered 100-499.**

Semester 2

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	MUFHL 320	Exploring Music	3	
Maj	MUSM 320	Contemporary Songwriting	3	
GE	MATH 300**	Introduction to Mathematical Ideas	3	SCC Local Area L2
GE		Ethnic Studies	3	SCC Local Area L6
GE		Social & Behavioral Sciences	3	SCC Local Area L4

****If you don't place directly in MATH 300 (check your eServices account), you will need to take MATHS 95/MATH 300 combo course.**

Legend

- **(H)** - Honors
- **Elec** - Elective
- **GE** - General Education
- **Maj** - Required Core
- **ME** - Major Elective

Disclaimer

Every effort has been made to ensure that what is listed in the SCC Program Paths are accurate. The courses, the course sequencing, and the programs are subject to change without notice by the administration of the Los Rios Community College District and Sacramento City College at the discretion of the district and Sacramento City College. Further, Sacramento City College reserves the right to amend any course or program.

PLEASE SEE AN SCC COUNSELOR.

AA/AS Requirements

Associate Degrees require the following:

1. Completion of a minimum of 60 degree-applicable units with an overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 ("C" average). A minimum of 12 units must be completed within the Los Rios Community College District.
2. Completion of each required course with a grade of "C" or better for a major offered at Sacramento City College.
3. Completion of Sacramento City College's local AA/AS degree general education requirements – Area L1A and L1B; Area L2; Area L3; Area L4; Area L5; and Area L6; and Area L7A and L7B – with an overall 2.0 GPA. Students also have an option of completing the California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) instead of the local general education pattern.

Second year

Semester 3

15.5 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	MUSM 321 +	Contemporary Songwriting	3	
Maj	MUFHL 400	Music Theory and Musicianship I	4	
Maj	MUSM 330	Introduction to MIDI: Musical Instrument Digital Interface	2.5	
Maj	MUSM 110	The Business of Music	3	
GE		Oral Communication & Critical Thinking	3	SCC Local Area L1B

+Prerequisite for MUSM 321: MUSM 320 with a grade of "C" or better

Semester 4

15.5 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	MUFHL 401	Music Theory and Musicianship II	4	
Maj	MUSM 331 +	Intermediate MIDI: Musical Instrument Digital Interface	2.5	
GE		Physical Education	1	SCC Local Area L7A
ME		*Major Elective	3	
ME		*Major Elective	2	
GE		Natural Sciences	3	SCC Local Area L5

+ Prerequisite for MUSM 331: MUSM 330 with a grade of "C" or better

*Major Elective - A minimum of 5 units from the following: ENG CW 400, ENGLT 303, MUFHL 305, MUFHL 310, MUFHL 311, MUFHL 315, MUFHL 321, MUFHL 330, MUFHL 410+, MUFHL 411+, MUFHL 430, MUFHL 431+, MUP 424, MUSM 344+, MUSM 350+

+Prerequisite for MUFHL 410: MUFHL 401 with a grade of "C" or better

+Prerequisite for MUFHL 411: MUFHL 410 with a grade of "C" or better

+Prerequisite for MUFHL 431: MUFHL 430 with a grade of "C" or better

+Prerequisite for MUSM 344: MUSM 306 or 342 with a grade of "C" or better

+Prerequisite for MUSM 350: MUSM 344 and 356 with grades of "C" or better

Students with Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate Credit (IB) test scores should notify their Counselor to learn more about how test scores may be used for credit.

Exception: Students who possess a bachelor's (BA/BS) or higher degree from a college or university accredited through a regional accrediting agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) are deemed to have satisfied both the general education and graduation competency requirements for an AA/AS degree. Degrees from accredited institutions outside of the US will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Placement Information

Check your eServices account under "Academic Records" to determine your Math and English placements.

Important Links

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[Arts & Communication Meta Majors](#)